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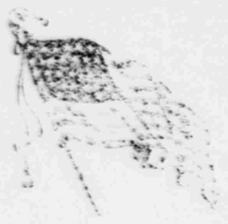

MOTTO: THE BANNER, BELIEVING THOSE AT THE TOP WELL ABLE TO TAKE CARE OF THEMSELVES, HAS TAKEN ITS STAND IN THE BARRICADES WITH THE COMMON PEOPLE, AND ITS FIGHT WILL BE MADE FOR THE BETTERMENT OF THOSE AT THE BOTTOM.

A Tampa payet threatens to make the matter of divorce an article of democratic faith. Here is more work for the war killer.

The passage of his fifty-ninth birthday leaves ex Senator Hill still a democrat—but no longer "very still.—New York World.

After a very pleasant trip to California Governor Jennings has returned to Florida. During the entire trip he never lost an opportunity to picture Florida in the brightest colors and to the very best possible advantage.

"An insane journal for maniacs," says the Times-Union and Citizen, "is the latest newspaper freak." A copy of the Tampa Herald, with its maniacal headlines, would obviate the trouble of a publication of that kind.

The Tampa Herald is as fickle as a maiden. It is hardly on with one love before it is off with the other. Three weeks ago it was supporting Jennings for the United States senate. It has already dropped him and taken on a new love.

In honor of President Roosevelt's visit to Omaha on Sept. 27, a horse race of 600 miles from Deadwood to that point is being arranged. Rough Riders, Indians and "cowgirls" are expected to compete, and the sole condition is that each rider must use one horse for the entire distance.

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Speaking of its State Fair edition the Lake City Index says that "Ocala has come up to the scratch right handsomely." Yet it has not been more than a week since the Index said it was against journalistic ethics for one editor to invade another editor's territory. If it meant what it said what is its representative doing down in these parts?

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THE MYSTERIES OF LIFE.

One of the newspapers at Gainesville recently contained an article on the above subject which led to quite an acrimonious controversy, the fact nevertheless remains that life as well as death are mysteries, the comprehension of which seem to lie far beyond the finite mind.

Life, death, existence. What are they?

We exist today. We do not exist tomorrow.

Can existence go out of existence?

Yesterday was but is no more.

It has taken its place with the dead past—with the buried centuries.

The past is as a house with the lights put out and the inmates wrapped in slumber.

One writer has said:

"The past always has its hand on the throat of the present. It is constantly reaching for its prey. Man steps from the past into the future. The present is like a strip of land separting two great unexplored oceans."

Another writer has said:

"The past is on record. A man lived and left his name. A nation took a step forward in political life; it lights up a page in history and that is all."

Job says:

"It is like a tale that is told. Man that is born of woman is of few days and full of trouble. He cometh forth like a flower and is cut down; he fleeth as a shadow and continueth not.'

Another writer says:

"We call the dead years the past, so the past is the grave of our lives."

Yet another writer says:

"What a forbidding hole the tomb is. We fall into it. Its mouth opens only for another mouthful—never to speak."

Still another writer says:

"Last night we were merry; the lights were brilliant; the colors alluring; the scene enchanting; the company delightful. The eye was pleased, the heart glad. The smile sweetened the air, the laugh ran through all the chambers of the brain, and the senses set—like a queen on her throne—the satisfaction of perfect joy. Last night all mentioned here was real—but where is it now? Where has it gone? Light night the perfume of happiness was all about us. To day all has vanished. The laugh is still. The smile has gone. The air is a funeral. We are in another world."

A candle sits in the middle of a room. It lights all about it. It comes in contact with a puff of wind and is put out. Whither has the flame gone?

The flame in the candle is a puzzle to the ages.

If existence be eternal it has no center, no circumference, no beginning, no end. It measures as far in one direction as another.

If a man is to live forever he must have lived forever. His starting point does not begin with the pleasant story of the stork.

If his destiny is to inhabit other spheres, planets, dwelling places, or by whatever name called, he has already inhabited those spheres.

The distance back of him is as long as the distance before him.

What is the meaning of it all, what is it all for, we know not.

Life and death are mysteries which have no human unraveling.

We know the rainbow has its colors and its shades of coloring; that the lily is white; that the robin's breast is red; that the sunflower is golden; but why?

Ocala Banner Special.

The special East Coast edition of the Ocala Banner has reached us and is found to contain a large amount of descriptive matter concerning this section, with several half-tone illustrations. The articles were furnished by Mr. L. J. Brumby, who from long experience in Florida newspaper work is peculiarly qualified to write as one having knowledge. The Banner has certainly done a good work for the East Coast country by thus carrying the story of the wonderful developments and great future possibilities of this region to its large clientele, and the Metropolis desires to extend thanks in behalf of our people, and to assure Editors Harris and Brumby that their good work is highly appreciated.—Miami Metropolis.

THE OLD AND THE NEW.

The old had greater depth; the new more of breadth.

If the older life was profounder in its learning, more sincere in its professions, stronger in its sympathies, simpler in its faith, the newer life is more catholic in its inspirations, more tolerant in its judgment, wider in its progressions.

Time was when in our social and political life, we clung to the established order of things, because they were the established order—but see now what a falling away.

The solidarity of the democratic party in the south is broken, not from the outside but from the inside, as witness the revolt, first on the part of the populist and then on the part of the gold democrats.

Time was when our men of letters—and there were many—read old books because they were old, and long dissertations on the theories of government and territorial rights because they were long, and the age had leisure for such things.

Our statesmen quoted the constitution as the preacher his bible, and both would have willingly gone to war to prevent a revision or any different than the accepted interpretation.

It was a time of ease, leisure and comfortable life.

There was no mad rush of steam, electricity, type setting, and writing machines, fast running presses and kindred meteors of speed.

It was an age of delightful, careful and thoughtful digestion.

Now it is change, change, change. It is the age of evolution and revolution.

Every new idea and invention are welcomed.

Law, science, art, politics, religion, fashion, all are pitched pell mell into the hopper and dashed into the surging waves on to the shore of change.

In the early fifties a woman would almost as soon have appeared on the streets displaying the scarlet letter on her breast as to have worn her clothes above her shoe tops.

Now, men and women bathe in the nude with the same delight that the devout Moslem greets the first flashes of the sunlight over the temples of his prophet.

Will the change lead to better or worse things?

Long-Faced Christians.

There are some people who think that Jesus never smiled during his whole earthly life. But I am not one of the people who think so, for then he would not have been in all things like unto us, only without sin. He had more reason to smile without sin than we have with sin. I do not believe that when he went with his mother to the wedding in Capernum he looked very sad, and made others feel so. Nor do I think that in those loving talks he so often had with his dear friends in Bethany he seemed overwhelmed with sorrow. You remember he said once, "When ye fast, be not as the hypocrites, of a sad countenance." The more you resemble the Savior, the more cheerful will you have reason to be. If you are not like Christ, then you have no reason to be cheerful.—Rev. Charles A. Smith.

Six Sermonettes.

The universe is a thought of God. —Schiller.

The mind grows by what it feeds on. —Timothy Titcomb.

There is nothing in this world I am afraid of except that I shall not know my duty and do it.—Mary Lyon.

A reputation for a good judgment, for fair dealing, for truth, and for rectitude is itself a fortune.—Beecher.

To live with a high ideal is a successful life. It is not what one does but what one tries to do, that makes one strong and fit for a noble career. —E. P. Tenney.

I do blieve that the common man's work is the hardest. The hero has the heroe's aspirations that lifts him to his labor. All great duties are easier than the little ones, though they cost far more blood and agony. —Pillips Brooks.

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What Call Thinks of Florida Politics.

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Should Die in Harness.

Senator Pettus, of Alabama, called "Confucious" by his colleagues because of a fancied resemblance to the Chinese philosopher, is 81 years old. He intends to stand for re election to the senate and if he is elected will be 88 when his term expires. He is an intelligent and vigorous member of the senate although he is sometimes amusingly solemn as he declaims oracular platitude.—Pensacola Press.

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